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FOLLOWING IS TRANSCRIPT OF UNDER SECRETARY'S REMARKS TO PRESS AT TEHRAN AIRPORT AS HE PREPARED DEPART JAN 18 P. M.:

Q. DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING FOR US TODAY?

A. WELL, I WOULD LIKE TO SAY WHAT A QUICK BUT PLEASANT VISIT WE HAVE HAD. I APPRECIATED GREATLY THE HONOR OF BEING RECEIVED BY HIS MAJESTY. WE HAD A VERY EXCELLENT CONVERSATION THAT RANGED OVER MANY MUTUAL INTERESTS. AND I LOOK FORWARD NOW TO WHEN WE SHALL HAVE THE PLEASURE OF RETURNING TO IRAN.

Q. THERE ARE REPORTS, SIR, THAT YOU WERE DISCUSSING OIL IN IRAN AND THEN....

A. WELL, WE WERE DISCUSSING A VARIETY OF SUBJECTS AND AMONG THEM WE TOUCHED ON OIL. BUT WE DID NOT DISCUSS IN ANY SENSE DETAILS OF NEGOTIATIONS. WE WERE TALKING OF OIL IN A BROADER CONTEXT.

Q. ONE PAPER SAID THIS MORNING THAT THE U. S. IS VERY MUCH CONCERNED ABOUT THE MILITARY ASPECT OF OIL, IF IT'S STOPPED.

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A. WELL, I THINK I'D BETTER NOT SAY ANYTHING MORE THAN I'VE SAID. I WOULD LIKE TO SAY I HAD A VERY DELIGHTFUL LUNCHEON AT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY AND APPRECIATE VERY MUCH THE HOSPITALITY OF THE MINISTER, AND MY COLLEAGUE, THE UNDERSECRETARY, AS WE

WOULD SAY. IT'S NICE TO MEET YOU GENTLEMEN, AND PERHAPS ANOTHER TIME WE'LL MEET AGAIN.

Q. WILL YOU GO TO SAUDI ARABIA FIRST OR KUWAIT?

A. I'M GOING TO SAUDI ARABIA.
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